GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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PROCUREMENT OF COPRA BY NAFED
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have fixed the Minimum Support Price (MSP) for copra for the 2002 season;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether NAFED has started procurement of copra in this season on the new MSP;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. The Government have fixed the Minimum Support Price (MSP) forMilling and Ball Copra of Fair Average Quality (FAQ) at Rs.3300 and Rs.3550 per quintal respectively for 2002 season.

(c) to (e): Yes, Sir. The National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of IndiaLtd. (NAFED) has started procurement of copra under price support scheme (PSS) in Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Lakshdweep and Goa and has procured a total quantity of 6209 quintals of copra as on 27.11.2002.